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INTRODUCTORY TO PROGRAM

A program's "prosperity lies in the ear of him that hears it;" never in the pen of him that makes it. Still more surely does a program prosper by the tongue of him that discusses it.

For this cause, that the program might have every chance to be well discussed, the President wished to present to the Association, somewhat in advance of the conference, a summary of the ideas on which the program for the Ottawa conference has been based. The responsibility of the remainder of the program committee for this breach of precedent may be fully summed up by saying that they consented to indulge the President.

As the great experiments in democratic government are scarcely a century old it is not wonderful if many lacks and disappointments are felt in their results, nor that many doubts of their permanence are expressed.

One general agreement seems to prevail among critics and doubters: that is, that one absolute requisite to possible survival of democratic government lies in some form of education for every citizen, that is, in universal education.